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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: PROJECT V-2.1,
MUSKOX

REF: SKOOG-DENISOV TELECON OF APRIL 2

REQUEST EMBASSY PASS DENISOV OF MINAG AND KUVSHINNIKOV OF
HYDROMET MESSAGE FROM USPENSKIY AND TARKHOV THAT MUSKOX
CAPTURE PROCEEDING SUCCESSFULLY ACCORDING TO PLAN. USPENSKIY
AND TARKHOV CURRENTLY PLAN TO ACCOMPANY MUSKOX FROM NUNIVAK
ISLAND TO BETHEL ON APRIL 7-10 TO AWAIT SOVIET AIRCRAFT.
EMBASSY MAY NOTE THAT MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEM IN TRANSPORTING
MUSKOX TO BETHEL REMAINS WEATHER ON NUNIVAK WHICH IS EXTREMELY
VARIABLE AT THIS TIME OF YEAR. HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM
NUNIVAK, WILLIAM BROWN REPORTS THAT AIRSTRIP IS PRESENTLY
UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE AIRCRAFT CAPABLE OF OFFLIFTING MUSKOX,
BUT ATTEMPTS ARE BEING MADE TO CLEAR HEAVY SNOW DRIFTS.
MORE SNOW, FOG, HEAVY WINDS, OR SUDDEN THAW COULD DELAY OR
PROLONG APRIL 7-10 OFFLIFT. NEVERTHELESS WE BELIEVE OFFLIFT
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WILL BE COMPLETED IN TIME FOR APRIL 12 ARRIVAL OF SOVIET

AIRCRAFT. INGERSOLL

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